

CHILD PROTECTION ACCOUNTABILITY COMMISSION

Education Committee

Wednesday September 18, 2019, 1 to 3 p.m.

Collette Building, Science Room

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Meeting: The Child Protection Accountability Commission (CPAC) Education Subcommittee was called to order at 1:00 p.m. on September 18, 2019 at the Collette Building, Science Room by Chairperson Susan Haberstroh.

Attendees:

Susan Haberstroh, DDOE	Cora Scott, Brandywine School District
Eliza Hirst, Office of the Child Advocate	Deb Stevens, DSEA
Kenneth Millman, Family Court	Wendy Strauss, GACEC
Kirsten Olson, Children and Families First	Al Volpe, Appoquinimink School District
Trinette Redinger Ramsey, DFS	Brittany Willard, Office of the Child Advocate
Kathryn Herel, Parent Information Center (by Phone)	
JoAnn Santangelo, Family Court (by Phone)	

Agenda Topics

I. Welcome and Introductions:

Everyone was welcomed to the meeting and introductions made.

II. Approval of Minutes of the July 16, 2019 Meeting

Dr. Haberstroh asked for the members to review the meeting notes from the July 16, 2019 meeting. Kirsten Olsen asked to correct the notes by changing her agency name to Children and Families First. Al Volpe made a motion and was seconded by Kirsten Olson to accept the meeting minutes with correction. Motion passed.

III. Workgroup Updates as Needed:

Dr. Haberstroh commented that the next CPAC Non-Academic meeting is October 2, 2019 and will be held in the Third Floor Conference Room at the Townsend Building.

Deb Stevens clarified the purpose of this working group and also that the workgroup worked with DOE's technology department to create a platform for the tracking of trainings. The tracking is not at the teacher level but provides information for principals or human resource.

Dr. Susan Haberstroh commented on the document “Erin’s Law” reporting on what educational programming our district and charters selected. This new requirement goes into effect for this year (2019-20). She also commented that this was a big charge for this group and that a lot of work has been done.

Al Volpe asked about the mandatory trainings and commented that there were no data for Cohort 2018 in the EdInsight Dashboard report. Dr. Susan Haberstroh commented that she will bring this to Alyssa Moore’s attention. Al Volpe asked if the trainings could be advertised in more locations.

Dr. Haberstroh reviewed the website with the Committee including where the information for the trainings can be found.

Deb Stevens asked how a teacher could find what courses they have taken and what courses they need to take. Dr. Haberstroh responded that it would be the district/charter school responsibility and that the State level reporting is not at the teacher level.

Brittany Willard reported that she is scheduling a meeting for November to review goals/discipline data. She has received new data on children in foster care but needs discipline and dropout data. This information will be added into CPAC Dashboard. She also reported that Tableau is the leading system for dashboard visualization and new data is forthcoming for new school year and will be reviewed in December.

Eliza Hirst asked about ESSA and when it starts. Dr. Susan Haberstroh commented that the reporting started and that she would have someone come talk to the Committee and explain ESSA.

Dr. Haberstroh commented on Title IX and the possibility of dissolving that working group.

Trinette Redinger Ramsey commented on issues regarding districts being denying access to children. They have said the health care providers are required to have parental consent and they were saying the investigators should also. This creates a problem for the investigators. Al Volpe commented that he will be attending a NCC Consortium Meeting and will let the districts know the need for access to these children. Dr. Haberstroh commented that there may be some confusion with the Project AWARE program and that if this continues she can bring this up to the chiefs and principals.

IV. “Rigged” – Interactive Decision Making Activity facilitated by Eliza Hirst, Office of Child Advocate

Ms. Hirst presented “Rigged” and explained that the video is an interactive decision making tool for students and can also be used with probation officers, school administrators, and young people. Mr. Volpe commented that he sent this to his school counselors and nurses.

V. Review of Goals for SY19/20 - Progress:

Chronic Absenteeism for 9th grade Working Group. Deb Stevens reported that the first meeting will be on October 1 and would like to have clarification as to what direction the Committee wants to go for this working group including the deliverables.

Eliza Hirst commented to examine best practices from other districts that do not cost and what are the barriers.

There was a discussion on absenteeism, what is considered an absence and how often are children not having access to instruction. Absenteeism or loss of instruction time varies between districts and charter schools.

Al Volpe commented on the chronic absenteeism resource document created by DOE. The Committee asked that this be shared.

The volunteers on the new working group are Deb Stevens, Kirsten Olsen, Eliza Hirst, Al Volpe, JoAnn Santangelo, Terri Lawler, and Brittany Willard.

Rachael has a committee working on the Education Dashboard. Dr. Haberstroh asked what is too much or is the Dashboard good the way it is. Eliza Hirst commented that the report is too much. Smarter Balance, DCAS scores, attendance, attendance from past years, current grades. Eliza Hirst and Trinette Redinger Ramsey will work on this to mark which ones we need and see if we can default it.

VI. Next Steps: The next steps are as follows:

Eliza Hirst and Trinette Redinger Ramsey will report back on dashboard.

Dr. Haberstroh will work on getting the game “Rigged” out, including talking to DOE, John Hulse and Jenn Davis.

Eliza Hirst will look into why students under DFS Safety Plans are not being considered homeless for students and what, if any, need for a statutory fix. Eliza will look into this and will bring up at next meeting.

Deb Stevens commented that on October 11 DSEA, DOE, and the public libraries are sponsoring a conference at Chase on the Water Front with speakers Becky Voss and Mark Greenburg. There will be 16 different session and registration is open until October 2, 2019.

VII. **Public Comment:** None

VIII. **Next Meeting Date:**

December 18, 2019 – Collette Education Building, Science Classroom, Dover, DE

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.